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Muratore, Kennedy, and Lindsay Honor Sachem **Robotics Team**



(From left: Legislator William Lindsay, Legislator Tom Muratore, and right: Legislator Leslie Kennedy)

June 20, 2017 – On Tuesday afternoon at the General meeting in Riverhead, Legislator Tom Muratore (R-Ronkonkoma), Legislator Leslie Kennedy (R-Nesconset), and Legislator Bill Lindsay (D-Holbrook) had the opportunity to honor the Sachem Robotics Team 263 known as Aftershock. For the third year in a row, Team 263 attended the FIRST World Championships in St. Louis, Missouri to compete against the best robotics teams in the world.

Aftershock has continued to be successful, earning its invitation to participate in the Championships after winning the SBPLI Long Island Regional at Hofstra University. Aftershock won this competition with a tiebreaking third round in the Finals. One member in particular, Robert Wentzel, won the prestigious Woodie Flowers Finalist Award at Hofstra.

The Sachem Robotics Team 263 also had competed at the South Florida Regional in West Palm Beach Florida, where they ranked 15 out of the 47 worldwide teams present. "I am extremely proud of what these students are able to accomplish," said Legislator Kennedy. "I am amazed by the engineering principles these young men and women use while designing their robots and competing in the U.S. FIRST Robotics Competition."

For more information about this event or other events in the community, please call our office at (631)-854-3735 or log onto Legislator Kennedy's Facebook page at facebook.com/legislatorlesliekennedy.

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Suffolk County Legislator Leslie Kennedy represents the 12th Legislative District, encompassing Smithtown, Nesconset, Hauppauge, the Village of the Branch, Lake Grove, parts of Commack, Ronkonkoma, Lake Ronkonkoma and Centereach. Legislator Kennedy was born and raised on Long Island, is a former nurse and small business manager, and has dedicated her life towards the betterment of our community. She currently serves on the following Committees: Budget and Finance, Education and Human Services, Government Operations, Personnel, and Information Technology, Health, Parks & Recreation, Public Safety, and Veterans